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For: FACTOR RECA FROM BACILLUS
LICHENIFORMIS AND RECA-
INACTIVATED SAFETY STEMS USED
FOR BIOTECHNOLOGICAL PRODUCTION

Examiner: Virginia Allen Porter

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. Applicants respectfully request that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Among the documents listed on the initial SB/08 and the attached SB/08 are the documents cited in the International Search Report during the prosecution of international application no. PCT/EP2005/001543, which corresponds to the above-referenced application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(b)(2), Applicants hereby submit these documents for the Examiner's consideration. A copy of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) is enclosed.

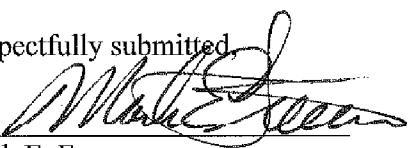
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